

Britannia College Tutors – Teacher Profiles

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Anna Briffa BA Hons. English RUM – Dip. TESOL Trinity College (Parts 1, 2 & 3) FTBE(LCCI)

Anna came to TEFL some 26 years ago after working in journalism and management. She has been teaching business English since 1988. Widely travelled she spent 12 years living in North America and over the years has successfully brought her US English knowledge and business experience to the classroom.

Her long experience with many different candidates for Business English was a source of inspiration when setting up Britannia College an English school with a strong business focus.

EFL Permit No. 317

Edward Briffa EFL, FTBE (LCCI) came to **TEFL** after a career in **real estate** and **export marketing and sales** with particular experience selling a variety of products in North Africa and the Middle East. His training background includes marketing and accounting, which he started in London's financial centre.

He has been teaching at Britannia College since 2005 and brings his wealth of experience in business and intercultural relations to the **business English classroom**.

He has an excellent track record with all the business students – many top executives, lawyers, engineers etc. – because of his familiarity with authentic content in these areas.

EFL permit no. 1826

Sally Decesare M.Sc Occupational Psych.(Brantridge US), CertTIEB (London Guildhall University), CELTA (Cambridge University) Certificate in Personality Testing Level B (Criterion Partnership Psychological Test Assessors) **Certificate in Occupational Testing Level A** - *Registered* (British Psychological Society) **1996**

Sally taught at Britannia College for seven years and teaching EFL for the last 12 years mainly taking business English classes and 1-1 lessons. One of her Tutors for CertTIEB was the Market Leader author David Cotton.

She has also run her own **Business Psychology Services** consultancy carrying appraisals and staff training for various Maltese companies.

Previous jobs included a stint on the South East Asia desk for the UK Foreign office.

EFL permit no. 690

Diana Abela B.A.(Hons.) Adv Cert TESOL (Leicester) Online Educ and Training Cert for Language Teaching (Institute of Education. University of London)

Apart from teaching various levels and undertaking student preparation for FCE, CAE, IELTS and **LCCI examinations** at Britannia College, Diana has lectured at the Institute of Linguistics, University of Malta. She also runs an online Business English course.

Her background in EFL spans 25 years and culminated in two Director of Studies posts at Language Schools in Malta.

As a creator of EFL teaching materials, she has also designed courses for business English and Distance Learning structures.

Previous work experience includes: Advisor and representative at the Paris headquarters UNESCO NATIONAL COMMISSION, freelance writing, re-introduction of the English Speaking Board (UK) in Malta, designing a framework for assessments in Spoken English in local private schools.

EFL permit no. 379

Ivan Micallef FTBE (LCCI) 2010 - Distinction

Ivan has had over thirty years' business experience in finance, I.T. systems implementation and financial services in Malta and Canada. He is a Fellow of the Malta Institute of Accountants and has worked as director of a leading insurance company. He taught Business English in groups and 1 to 1s off and on at Britannia College since 2008. He was always highly commended by any students I assigned to him.

EFL permit no. 2888

Guest tutor

Peter Bowring CELTA

A former **investments broker/consultant**, Peter also worked in the **assurance and insurance industry** for a number of years. A desire for a total career change led him to TEFL and after obtaining a CELTA from Bournemouth UK he focussed on business English working for IH in Bratislava and in Malta before coming to Britannia College.

He has gained a great deal of experience teaching in-house courses for a number of firms – Canon, Dell, Tandem Ac and National Bank.

EFL permit no. 2339